

The Public Is Getting Accustomed To the Word Damn on the Stage and Actors and Actorines Will Have to Think Up Something Else

FIRST FIELD DAY OF OPERATIVES IS BIG SUCCESS

Good Attendance in Spite of Bad Weather

LOCALS WILL CLEAR \$400

Program Included Two Good Vaudeville Acts, Baseball Game and Sparring Exhibition

Without a doubt good weather on Monday would have resulted in the presence of a record-breaking crowd at Hunt's upper grove where the Bennington textile workers held their first annual picnic and field day. In spite of the fact that there wasn't a single minute of sunshine and a drizzling rain prevailed during a large portion of the afternoon more than five hundred persons were on the ground without counting the children. The children were admitted free and they had fun enough to pay for four tickets apiece.

There had been a large advance sale of tickets and the dance at Black Cat hall in the evening was so well attended that the committee estimate that there will be a balance of \$400 in the combined treasury of the two locals when all the bills are paid.

One of the best programs carried out at the grove in years was arranged for the day. There were two excellent vaudeville acts, one acrobatic and one musical, a scrappy baseball game in which the Tigers of Bennington won from a Shaftsbury team by a score of 12 to 8, an amusing pie eating contest and a fast sparring bout between Pershing of Pittsfield and Frankie Leonard of North Adams with "Shots" Shanahan, the well-known Berkshire county referee, the third man in the ring.

The midway furnished a large amount of entertainment. The only feature of the program that was not well patronized was the open air dancing. The young people who can usually be depended upon to keep the light fantastic toes a twirling were evidently waiting for evening entertainment.

The little folks were unanimous in their declaration that the best stunt of the afternoon was the pie contest. Five youngsters with their hands tied behind their backs endeavored to determine who could devour the largest amount of blueberry in a given length of time. Lawrence Lyons proved to be the best pie destroyer and won the first prize of \$2.50. Henry Shanahan was a good second and won \$1.50. The third prize of \$1 went to Leo Tatro.

The committee consisting of Chas. Sawville, Joseph Ducette, Edward Lemay, Richard Lesko and Mrs. Wright from local 1183 and Howard Simpson, Arthur Thompson, Joseph Murphy, Joseph Kearns and Miss Anna Purcell of local 1196 have good reason to be proud of their initial efforts in the entertainment line.

The committee wish to express their appreciation of the assistance extended by other members of the locals and of the courtesies granted by the local merchants.

PRINCE IN MONTREAL

To Stay Few Hours Before Starting on Western Trip

Montreal, Sept. 2.—The Prince of Wales arrived for a few hours stay before starting on his western trip. He was royally welcomed.

AUSTRIANS HAVE TREATY

It is Handed to Them This Afternoon

Paris, Sept. 2.—The treaty of peace will probably be handed to the Austrian delegates late this afternoon.

BOLSHEVIKI SURROUNDED

They Offer to Make Peace With Lithuanians

Copenhagen, Sept. 2.—Lithuanian legation announces Bolsheviki have been surrounded on the Lithuanian front. They are offering to make peace with the Lithuanians whose advance continues.

PITTSFIELD WINS CHAMPIONSHIP IN EASTERN LEAGUE

Close Race Decided on Last Day of Season

SEE GAME

Pittsfield is Youngest and Smallest Member of League—Sensation of Season in Minors

Pittsfield, Sept. 1.—Pittsfield has won the Eastern league baseball pennant. On the very last day of the Eastern league baseball season the junior member of the circuit clinched its right to the highly-prized championship. One victory over Worcester, its close and powerful rival for the honors, was needed to set Pittsfield on the throne. That victory was secured in the morning game, by a score of 5 to 3, before the biggest crowd ever known in Berkshire county. The champions, satisfied with their proud and hard earned laurels, submitted to a meaningless 9 to 6 defeat in the afternoon.

Worcester gets second place and Providence third in the most exciting pennant event in the brief but interesting history of the Eastern league. Pittsfield, the youngest and smallest member of the league, is not only the acknowledged champion, but the sensation of the season in minor league baseball.

Labor Day, 1919, will go down in Pittsfield history as the date of the happy climax to an exceedingly successful baseball season.

Practically 9000 people saw the pennant game of the morning and the afternoon tilt. Of that number 4700 paid to see the clinching of the flag before dinner. The afternoon crowd numbered 4200.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

	Won	Lost	P.C.
Pittsfield	64	44	.593
Worcester	61	44	.581
Providence	61	45	.576
Bridgeport	59	47	.557
Springfield	54	52	.509
New Haven	47	62	.431
Waterbury	45	62	.420
Hartford	34	72	.321

LAYETTES SHIPPED ON TIME

Highly Creditable Record Made by Bennington Red Cross

The Bennington branch of the American Red Cross shipped its consignment of 200 infants' layettes September 2 on schedule time.

The making of these layettes necessitated the handling of 6000 different articles and a large amount of credit is due the faithful few who persistently worked through the summer that the shipment might be made in accordance with the request of the New England headquarters.

The organization of the local branch wishes to acknowledge the valuable assistance extended by the local manufacturers in bringing about the creditable accomplishment.

The consignment of layettes made to the Bennington branch was one of the largest that came to Bennington county and the shipment forwarded today is one of the first to be recorded.

ERA OF SPECULATION

Hoover Says Wharves and Warehouses Overflowing with Foodstuffs

Paris, Sept. 1.—A distressing era of speculation in foodstuffs in the United States and throughout the world's primary food markets is largely responsible for high food costs, Herbert Hoover told the Associated Press today on the eve of his departure for home. The wharves and warehouses in northern Europe are overflowing with foodstuffs, principally meats, fats and dairy products, sent by merchants all over the world, he says. These merchants, he added, gambled on sales in Poland, Czechoslovakia, Baltic states and Germany.

WILLIAMS-GOODSELL

Bennington Couple United in Marriage Saturday Forenoon

George W. Williams and Celinda Bannan Goodsell, both of Bennington, were united in marriage Saturday forenoon by Rev. J. Elmer McKee, rector of St. Peter's church. Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Williams left on a wedding trip of which the larger portion will be passed in Easton, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams have both passed their entire lives in Bennington and have a large circle of friends who will extend congratulations. Mr. Williams is connected with the Bennington Wholesale company which since its comparatively recent establishment here has acquired an extensive and constantly growing business. Mrs. Williams has been employed at the E. Z. Waist company factory on Gage street and her acquaintances both among the operatives and throughout the community will wish her every happiness.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

POETRY DISCUSSION CLASS

Next Meeting Thursday Afternoon at Home of Miss Valentine

The poetry discussion class held its seventh meeting in Arlington last Thursday. The afternoon was given over entirely to a discussion of Robert Frost, his life, philosophy and poetic style. Mr. Bates reading the poems from his first book "A Boy's Will". Miss Rittenhouse and Mrs. Gilchrist read the poems from his other two books, "North of Boston" and "Mountain Interval" (Henry Holt).

The next meeting will be held in Bennington, Thursday afternoon September 4th, 2:30 o'clock, at the home of Miss Jeanie Valentine on Pleasant street. The poet under discussion for this meeting will be Vachel Lindsey. The poems will be read by Miss Rittenhouse and Mr. Bates.

Plans for making this class in poetry discussion a permanent organization and a branch of the Poetry Society of America, of which Miss Rittenhouse is secretary, will be carried out.

Through the kindness of Miss Rittenhouse an unusual privilege, is coming to the members of the class, their friends and all people interested in our poets and their work. On the afternoon of September 13th Robert Frost, himself, will be the guest of the class. Mr. Frost will read his own poems and discuss them with the class. The meeting will be quite informal and every one will have an opportunity of meeting Mr. Frost and asking him questions. This meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Gilchrist in Arlington. The tickets will be one dollar.

SENTENCED TO WINDSOR

R. R. Raynerston Pleads Guilty to Grand Larceny

R. R. Raynerston, who stated that he was born in Norway, pleaded guilty this morning in municipal court to grand larceny and was sentenced to be imprisoned in Windsor for not more than three or less than two years.

Raynerston was arrested on the street here Saturday night by Chief of Police Richard Hurley on the charge of having stolen a bicycle on August 19. The wheel was the property of Leander Jewett and Raynerston admitted that he sold it in Troy for \$12.

After being given a grilling by the chief, Raynerston admitted that he rifled the Buck lumber camp on the Troy road and got away with a lady's watch, five knives, safety razor, a bill-book, 14 handkerchiefs and a cap. This miscellaneous lot of plunder was disposed of in this village and was later recovered by the owners who came here for that purpose.

SHARP NOTE FROM COUNCIL

Demands That Germans Suppress Obnoxious Article Within fortnight

Paris, Sept. 2.—The peace conference supreme council decided to send a forcible note to the German government pointing out a contradiction with Versailles treaty of provision in new German constitution providing for representation of Austria in the German Reichstag. The council demands suppression of article within a fortnight, declaring that otherwise the allies will be compelled to undertake further occupation of the left bank of the Rhine.

KIBBE-BEMIS

Pretty Home Wedding at "The Dudley" Monday Afternoon

"The Dudley," the summer residence on the Colgate road of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth F. Dudley of Boston, was the scene of a pretty home wedding Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock when Miss Charlene Newell Bemis, daughter of Mrs. Jennie A. Bemis of Brookline, Mass., was married to Donald Clifford Kibbe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford P. Kibbe of Longmeadow, Mass.

Rev. George S. Mills, pastor of the Second Congregational church of Bennington, performed the ceremony, a double ring service being used. The bride was Miss Dorothy Abbotte Kibbe of Longmeadow, a sister of the bridegroom, and Stanley Johnson Kibbe of Longmeadow, the bridegroom's brother, was best man.

The bride's gown was of beaded white georgette. She wore a bridal veil and carried a shower bouquet of small rosebuds. The bridesmaid wore pink georgette with hat to match. The gift of the bridegroom to the bride was a diamond brooch. The bride's gift to her attendant was a diamond studded vanity case.

The interior of the house was prettily decorated for the occasion with wild flowers. Following the ceremony there was a reception for the 60 or more guests present and refreshments of which the bridal cake with its many pretty favors was a feature.

Mr. and Mrs. Kibbe were given the customary farewell greeting in which rice, confetti, old shoes and a temporarily disabled car figured with more than usual prominence. They are taking an extended automobile trip through New York state and will be at home after November 1 at 16 Summer avenue, Springfield, Mass.

The bride is a native of Brattleboro and was educated in the public schools and at business college in that village. During the war she served as yeoman (F) being stationed at the Charlestown, Mass., navy yard. She received the distinguished service medal and also a French medal from the committee of devastated France.

The bridegroom was born in Springfield, Mass., and was educated in the public schools of that city at the Staunton military academy of Staunton, Va. He was overseas for two years with the 104th infantry. He is at present connected with the Sterling Tire corporation of Rutherford, N. J.

R. R. LEGISLATION IS PLANNED BY INTERSTATE COM.

Bill Introduced in Senate by Senator Cummins

NOT LIKE THE PLUMB PLAN

Would Have Private Ownership and Operation of Railroads Under Strict Government Control

Washington, Sept. 2.—Private ownership and operation of railroads in a number of regional systems under strict government control, with strikes and lookouts of railroad employees prohibited, is the plan for permanent legislation submitted to the senate by the interstate commerce sub-committee.

The bill was introduced by Senator Cummins and bears no resemblance to the Plumb plan. The features are: Termination of government control and return of the roads to private ownership on the last day of the month of enactment, establishing an interstate commerce commission with greatly increased powers, as the supreme body over railroad affairs, supervision of rates, wages, operation and financing by government creation of a new railway transportation board of five appointed by President to supervise railway development and operation subject to interstate commerce commission, creation of new committee wages and working conditions.

ARLINGTON BOYS WON

Shut Out North Bennington by Score of 13 to 0.

In a game of baseball played under unfavorable weather conditions on Saturday Arlington overwhelmingly defeated North Bennington by a score 13 to 0.

North Bennington was able to secure but two hits off Holcombe, the star Arlington twirler while Arlington drove Burns off the mound in the eighth inning and collected a total of 13 hits. North Bennington was so thoroughly outclassed that only one man advanced beyond first base.

The score:

	A	B	R	H	E
Bellis, Jr.,	4	3	2	0	
Higgins, ss.,	3	0	0	0	
Morrissey, 1b.,	2	3	0	1	
L. Keough, cf.,	5	2	2	0	
Holcombe, p.,	4	1	2	0	
W. Keough rf.,	5	2	2	0	
Corbett, c.,	5	1	2	0	
Parkinson, 3b.,	4	1	1	0	
Cole, 2b.,	5	1	1	0	

NORTH BENNINGTON

	A	B	R	H	E
Harrington, cf.,	3	0	1	0	
Wallington, 3b.,	3	0	1	1	
Burns, p.,	3	0	0	0	
Green, 1b.,	3	0	0	0	
Bevis, ss.,	3	0	0	1	
Scary, c.,	4	0	0	1	
Burkell, f.,	3	0	0	1	
Mattison, rf.,	3	0	0	0	
Knapp, 2b.,	3	0	0	1	

Runs by innings:

	A	B	R	H	E
Arlington	2	3	0	0	11
No. Bennington	0	0	0	0	0

BASE-BALL RESULTS

Scores of Yesterday's Games and Standing of Clubs.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York 5, Philadelphia 2. (Afternoon game.)	
(Morning game postponed, rain.)	
Boston 2, Washington 1. (First game.)	
Boston 4, Washington 1. (Second game.)	
Chicago 6, Detroit 0. (Morning game.)	
Chicago 5, Detroit 1. (Afternoon game.)	
Cleveland 5, St. Louis 3. (First game.)	
St. Louis 4, Cleveland 3. (Second game.)	

Standing of the Clubs

	Won	Lost	P.C.
Chicago	77	42	.647
Cleveland	69	48	.590
Detroit	68	50	.576
New York	65	51	.560
St. Louis	61	57	.517
Boston	55	62	.470
Washington	44	74	.373
Philadelphia	30	85	.261

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York 3, Boston 2. (Afternoon game.)	
(Morning game postponed, rain.)	
Philadelphia 6, Brooklyn 4. (Afternoon game.)	
(Morning game postponed.)	
St. Louis 5 Pittsburgh 4. (Morning game.)	
Pittsburgh 2, St. Louis 1. (Afternoon game.)	
Chicago 4, Cincinnati 3. (Morning game.)	
Cincinnati 4, Chicago 2. (Afternoon game.)	

Standing of the Clubs

	Won	Lost	P.C.
Cincinnati	82	37	.689
New York	73	42	.635
Chicago	63	51	.553
Pittsburgh	57	53	.496
Brooklyn	57	60	.487
Boston	46	68	.401
Philadelphia	41	73	.360
St. Louis	41	73	.360

ALONZO N. REMINGTON

Life Long Resident Passed Away Monday Morning.

The death of Alonzo Nelson Remington occurred at 8:30 Monday morning at his home on Jefferson avenue after a lingering illness of three years.

The deceased was the son of Milo G. Remington and Mary M. Colvin and was born in Danby Jan. 27, 1850 coming to Bennington with his parents in 1852.

He was associated with his father in the blacksmith and wagon making business up to the death of his father in December 1905 then continuing in the blacksmith business until his health failed.

On May 29, 1873 he married Mary A. Dakin of Loughboro, England and to them four children were born, one son and three daughters. The son died when one and one half years of age.

The surviving relatives are, three daughters, Mrs. Harry G. Armstrong of Bennington Falls, Mrs. J. B. Woodhull of North Bennington and Mrs. Andrew E. Gardner of this town, three sisters, Lura A. Remington with whom he lived, Mrs. H. M. Dunham of this town and Mrs. Frank Lyons of East Windsor Hill, Conn., two brothers, Frank and George Remington of this town, and seven grandchildren.

The funeral services will be held at his late home on Thursday at 2:30 p. m., Rev. J. Elmer McKee officiating. Burial will be in the family lot in the village cemetery.

LABOR SUNDAY

Union Service Next Sunday Evening on Labor Situation.

The Baptist, Congregational and Methodist churches have arranged next Sunday evening for a special service in the Second Congregational church in observance of Labor Sunday. Last Sunday was the date most generally observed by the churches throughout the country, but here in Bennington it seemed better to appoint Sept. 7th as the day.

It is planned to make this service a community one to which all the people are invited without respect to any denominational or sectarian lines. Especially are employers of labor and the employees in our mills and factories urged to come.

The local ministers have a positive mind about the labor situation in the country and in Bennington. And the united churches have a positive program regarding it. The public ought to be interested to know what this mind and this program are.

Rev. George S. Mills will be the speaker on Sunday evening. His subject will be "What the Christian Church Has to Say about the Labor Situation."

ELEVEN-WINNING CONTEST

Shelburne Falls Wins Scrappy Game From Bennington.

One of the most exciting games of baseball ever played in Bennington was that between the local nine and the team from Shelburne Falls, on the Black Cat field in the forenoon of Labor Day. The game was made up of all sorts of stunts from phenomenal hitting to rank errors; from striking out in the pinches to home run hitting with men on bases; from knock kicking on the umpiring to a scrap between players of the opposing teams. And more than this, spectators were treated to eleven innings of lively baseball before the division went to Shelburne Falls by the score of 8 to 7.

Both teams started in scoring at the very first off the game, then could do nothing more till the last of the eighth when the locals evened up the score making it 3 each. In the first half of the ninth with two on bases and two out Plicher of Shelburne Falls hit a clean home run, seemingly putting the game on ice. But Bennington's determination and a couple of errors by the visitors evened up the score making it 6 all at the end of the inning.

In the eleventh Shelburne Falls scored twice when they should have been shut out, a fine chance for a double play being lost by over-anxiety to make it Bennington made a game try to even up the score again, but could get only one run across the plate, leaving the visitors the winners but knowing they had had a close battle.

Bennington lost three good opportunities for double plays, in each case not getting a man. These and weak throwing to second by the Bennington catcher, and lack of hitting power by several members of the team, and some questionable decisions by the umpire during the fore part of the game, were the chief drawbacks to the winning of the game. Some of the fielding features were as good as big league stuff.

The visitors were a team of ball players, not a weak spot showing in the make-up, and it would take a mighty feat to win from them.

The game was delayed several times in order to push back the crowd on the sidelines that persisted in getting too close to the diamond. These performances emphasized again the need of some sort of seating arrangement for the field.

As there was no local scorer of the game, the Banner is unable to get the full box score.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation of the many acts of kindness extended during our recent affliction, the illness and death of our daughter, Lafforia Savas, and to especially thank those who sent beautiful flowers.

C. N. SAVAS and Family.

WEATHER FORECAST

Partly cloudy tonight and slightly cooler, Wednesday fair.

FORM AMERICAN BRIGADE TO SERVE IN LITHUANIA

Reported by Military Delegation to Peace Conference

MANY ENLISTED MEN JOIN

Enough Demobilized American Officers to Form Staff Have Applied for Commissions

Paris, Sept. 1.—An American brigade for service in the Lithuanian army has been formed, according to a military mission of Lithuanian delegation to the peace conference.

Enough demobilized American officers to form a staff have applied for commissions, and many discharged enlisted men have entered the ranks, it is said.

U. S. LOANS FIFTY MILLION

Esthonia Gets It to Pay for American Goods.

Copenhagen, Sept. 2.—The United States has loaned fifty million dollars to Esthonia to be used chiefly to pay for American goods sent to that country, according to the Esthonian Press Bureau.

SERVICE MEN HAVE 30 DAYS TO REINSTATE

Some Valuable Features of Government Insurance Law Explained by Home Agent Henry Chase.

Editor of the Banner:—At the meeting of ex-service men at the Young Woman's club rooms last week it seems that there were two points relative to re-instatement of their war risk insurance policies, and the premiums on the new, or converted policies, which were not clearly understood by all present. As these two points are of vital importance to the men we ask the aid of the Banner in making them clear now.

First Re-instatement: Any portion of your old insurance may be reinstated for \$1000 up in multiples of \$500. For instance, if the man has been carrying \$10,000 of the term insurance, and wishes reinstatement he is not compelled to get reinstated for that amount, but may, if he desires, be reinstated for only \$1000. Now, if the man desires to be reinstated and carry a \$1000 20 year endowment policy under the converted insurance, he would be foolish to get reinstated for \$10,000 and pay up his back premiums on that basis when he could get reinstated for one-tenth of that amount and pay on that basis. In other words, if the ex-service man has been paying premiums of \$6.50 per month on his old insurance and wishes to get reinstated so he may have his policy converted into a \$1000 20 year endowment policy he will only need to pay up his back premiums at the rate of 65 cents per month instead of at \$6.50 per month. If a man was discharged from service prior to Jan. 1, 1919, and has paid none of the premiums on his insurance since leaving the service he now has until September 30, (the present month) to get reinstated by paying up his back premiums upon the above basis, and making the proper application for reinstatement. It is clear then that this month is the last good opportunity for all of the men to get reinstated upon a very liberal and simple plan.

Second—Amount of premiums on new, converted policies: The old insurance was strictly term insurance; the term was one-year from date of application and expired at the end of one year. The new policies are permanent insurance. So the difference in the matter of premiums under the law is this: Under the old insurance the amount of premiums paid increased from